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SOYBEAN INSPECTIONS DECREASE IN MAY

Inspected receipts of soybeans in May were somewhat smaller than for the preceding month and considerably below the May average for the crop years 1941-45, according to reports to the Department of Agriculture. May inspections totaled 2,919 cars compared with 3,892 cars in April and the average for May of 3,498 cars. Inspected receipts for October through May this season were 73,007 cars compared with 78,948 cars for the same period last year.

The quality of the soybeans inspected continued good, 87 percent grading No. 2 or better in May compared with 88 percent in April and 91 percent in March. Eighty-seven percent graded No. 2 or better for October-May this season compared with 70 percent last year.

Inspections of soybeans in May included the equivalent of 42 cars inspected as cargo lots and truck receipts equal to about 32 cars.

Soybeans: Inspected receipts, May 1948, in carloads 1/.

Class	Grade					Total May 1948	Total Oct. 1, 1947- May 31, 1948
	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	Sample		
	:	:	:	:	:		
Yellow	1,370	1,123	211	64	89	2,857	69,889
Green	1	2	0	0	0	3	270
Brown	1	0	0	0	0	1	56
Black	2	3	1	0	0	6	1,105
Mixed	3	34	5	4	6	52	1,687
Total cars	1,377	1,162	217	68	95	2,919	
Percentages	47	40	7	3	3	100	
October-May 1947-1948	Cars : 39,253	Cars : 24,059	Cars : 6,824	Cars : 1,944	Cars : 927	Cars : 73,007	
	Percentages : 54	33	9	3	1		100
October-May 1946-1947	Cars : 21,388	Cars : 33,709	Cars : 18,175	Cars : 4,865	Cars : 811	Cars : 78,948	
	Percentages : 27	43	23	6	1		100

1/ Cargo and truck receipts converted to carlots on basis of 1,650 bushels equal 1 carlot.



